THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) The following nationalised banks have introduced credit card scheme:–

(1) Andhra Bank (2) Bank of Baroda (3) Bank of India (4) Vijaya Bank (5) Canara Bank (6) Central Bank of India.

The following nationalised banks also have launched credit cards on the strength of tie-up arrangements with banks having their own credit card schemes:–

(1) Syndicate Bank (2) Corporation Bank (3) Oriental Bank of Commerce (4) United Bank of India (5) Union Bank of India (6) Allahabad Bank (7) Indian Overseas Bank (8) Bank of Maharashtra (9) Dena Bank (10) Punjab & Sind Bank.

(b) The bank-wise position of credit cards in circulation is as under:–

Name of the Bank	No. of Cards	As on
1. Bank of India	13,963	30.9.91
2. Central Bank of India	70,322	30.9.91
3. Bank of Baroda	90,318	30.9.91
4. Andhra Bank	56,463	30.3.91
5. Vijaya Bank	33,499	31.12.91
6. Union Bank of India	4,119	30.12.91
7. *Syndicate Bank*	*5,484*	31.3.91
8. Canara Bank	1,30,553	30.9.91
9. Corporation Bank	3,128	30.9.91
10. Allahabad Bank	11,695	30.9.90

(Details as on 31.12.1991 are not available).

The remaining banks have entered the credit card business very recently and details of their credit card operations are not available.

(c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[*Translation*]

Modernisation of Burhanpur Tapti Mill

6890. SHRI MAHENDRA KUMAR SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of TEXTILE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount proposed to be provided for modernisation of Burhanpur Tapti Mill after the occurrence of fire incident therein and the amount provided so far; and

(b) if no amount has been provided, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) The Board of Directors of National Textile Corporation (Holding Company), New Delhi have approved the modernisation programme of Burhanpur Tapti Mills at a captial outlay of Rs. 14.59 crores and this Scheme has been submitted to Financial Institutions. National Textile Corporation (Holding Company) would release 25% promotors contribution once the scheme is approved by the Financial Institutions. Meanwhile, to enable the mill to install some machinery of critical nature for improving viability of the unit, an amount of Rs. 28.92 lakhs had already been released and utilised.

(b) Does not arises.

Repair of National Highway in Uttar Pradesh

6891. SHRI GAYA PRASAD KORI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any funds have been provided for the repair of National Highway at Ait in Jalaun district situated on Jhansi-Kanpur National Highway in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c). Funds for repair and maintenance of National Highways are allotted State-wise for whole length and not district-wise or section-wise. The total allotment for repair and maintenance of National Highways in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years is mentioned below:

Year	*Funds allotted (Rs. in lakhs)*
1989-90	1220.46
1990-91	1108.51
1991-92	1312.05

Export of Lotus Seed

6892. SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether after the declaration of new economic policy by the Government, farmers have been allowed to sell their produce in the foreign markets;

(b) whether export of lotus seed (Makhana) is being made from India;

(c) if so, the value and the quantity of export made during the last three years; and

(d) the names of the countries to which expoeted?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) to (d). Lotus seed (Makhana) is being exported to Pakistan, UK, Canada, USA and Dubai. Details of export are however not available, as this item has not been separately calassified by Directorate, General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCI&S) in their monthly statistics of the Foreign Trade of India.